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Retaining the compact format of earlier editions, this updated book presents techniques and models for high school and college students to write successful research papers. After a preface and an introduction to research, the book discusses the 10 steps in writing a research paper: (1) find a subject; (2) read a general article; (3) formulate a temporary thesis and a temporary outline; (4) prepare the preliminary bibliography; (5) take notes from relevant sources; (6) label notecards and revise working outline; (7) write the first draft; (8) revise the text, write introduction and conclusion; (9) parenthetical references or footnotes on draft; and (10) put the paper in final form. The book also presents excerpts from a sample research paper to illustrate the parenthetical reference method and the traditional footnote method. It also discusses how to avoid plagiarism and how to master the library. Appendixes define research terms and discuss library classification systems, reference materials, abbreviations used in research, Roman numerals, and basic punctuation. (RS)

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